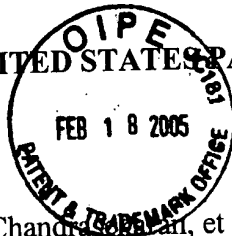


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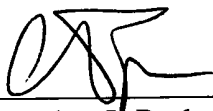
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Respectfully submitted,

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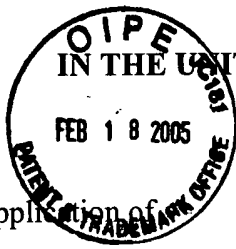
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 12, 2005, the shortened statutory period for which runs until April 12, 2005. Please revise the subject application as indicated below. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in light of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 18 of this paper.